The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

Everything is better with competition. Out here in the middle of Wyoming there isn't any competition. I have tried the external antenna route. One station came in some of the time. The other station came in less frequently. (yes, only two stations were available) The picture wasn't very good any time. This merger is a great idea. It will provide better competition, and therefore better service to all consumers. Cable will keep the satellite companies honest, and the satellite companies, will become full competition for the cable companies. Presently, not being able to deliver local channels in many markets is a real hindrance to the satellite companies being full competitors. The only thing that would be better than the merger would be to update current laws after the merger so that I could pick the stations I wanted to view from anywhere in the nation.

Sincerely,

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